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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Sparta, MI Fire Department Expansion and Renovation Project. The intended recipient is the Sparta Fire Department located at 45 North State Street, Sparta, Michigan 49345. The Sparta Fire Department's station is well over 50 years old and is unable to meet the needs of the community, especially given the industrial growth over the past decade. This project will enable the department to provide better service to the community by updating the building and infrastructure to adequately house the fire suppression and medical first responder equipment, provide crews with proper areas to clean gear and locker rooms to clean up after a call, as well as provide shelter in case of a natural disaster or state of emergency event. Moreover, the department does not have a formal office and currently works out of a residential home the department acquired adjacent to the station. The updated facility would include an office space attached to the station, as well as a conference room that would also provide a space for local clubs and organizations to hold meetings.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely.

Member of Congress